

Salix News

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FIREWORKS REMINDER

The use of fireworks is permitted:

June 1st through July 6th between the hours of 9:00am and 10:00pm

However, on July 4th, the hours increase to 9am – 11pm.

The council and fire department would like to remind everyone to be aware of the weather, use extreme caution and make good decisions. The state law allows cities and counties to prohibit or limit the use of fireworks. The Salix City Council currently sees no reason to prohibit or limit use as long as neighbors continue to celebrate safely and adhere to the allowed timeframes. Please be cautious of weather and courteous to your neighbors. If you find people in violation of this law and would like to report it to the authorities, you may call the non-emergency number listed on the bottom of this newsletter.



HOW ARE YOUR TREE'S LOOKING?



CITY ORDINANCE 150.03: DUTY TO TRIM TREES. The owner or agent of the abutting property shall keep the trees on, or overhanging the street, trimmed so that all branches will be at least 15 feet above the surface of the street and eight feet above the sidewalks. If the abutting property owner fails to trim the trees, the City may serve notice on the abutting property owner requiring that such action be taken within five days. If such action is not taken within that time, the City may perform the required action and assess the costs against the abutting property for collection in the same manner as a property tax.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2c, d & e])



GOLF CARTS AND ATVS

Golf carts and ATVs are allowed in Salix City Limits. Please help keep it that way by following these simple guidelines:

- All drivers must be 16 or older (golf cart) or 18 or older (ATV) and have a valid driver's license in their possession when driving.
- The number of passengers must not exceed the number of intended seats.
- All vehicles must be insured.
- Obey stop signs and posted speed limits.
- ONLY Golf carts and ATVs allowed...no Go-Karts or similar vehicle.
- Golf carts may only be operated between sunrise and sunset.

**More details are listed in our Code of Ordinance at www.salixiowa.com.

GRASS CLIPPINGS IN THE STREET – WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?



Left in the street, grass clippings and leaves not only are an eyesore, they clog storm drains which means rain water can't drain away as fast as it should.

Ultimately, it can cause water to back up in basements, cause flooding of our streets and increase maintenance costs. Because of our high-water table and drainage concerns, this is a particular concern to Salix. In

addition, when grass clippings remain in the street and get wet, they become slick and hazardous to pedestrians, drivers, cyclists and motorcycles.

When mowing your yard, please mow the first few paths near the street so that the grass clippings blow back into your yard and out of the streets.

